

Applicant : Hendrik Sibolt van Damme *et al.*  
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: MANUFACTURING SAID DEVICE, AND USE OF A MEMBRANE IN THE  
: MANUFACTURE OF SAID DEVICE

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Invention I in the Restriction Requirement. The claims are thus already limited to Invention I and applicants believe that further restriction is not necessary. Applicants confirm herewith that Invention I is elected without traverse.

Remarks

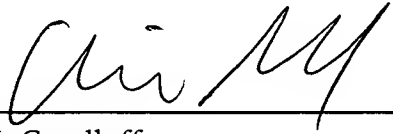
Applicants believe that this Reply concludes all preliminary matters. Substantive examination of the pending claims 1-11, 18-21 and 31-36 is therefore respectfully requested.

It is believed that no fee is due with this Reply. However, if there are any unanticipated fees required to maintain the pendency of this application, authorization is hereby given to withdraw those fees from Deposit Account No. 01-1785.

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